



6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, TX 78238

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
LEON VALLEY TREE ADVISORY BOARD**

Meeting of the Leon Valley Tree Advisory Board (TAB) at 6:00 PM, on Wednesday, July 31, 2013, in the Leon Valley City Hall, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

I. Poll for Attendance and Determination of a Quorum.

- Staff Liaison: Kristie Flores (Present)
- TAB Forester: Mark Kroeze, Regional Urban Texas Forester (Present - New Forester assigned to city Paul Johnson)
- Members Present: Thomas Benavides, Joseph Coppola (new member), Melinda Dawson, Mary Key, Lyn Joseph, and Rich Sarfin
- Members Absent: Denise Berger and Diana Sarfin

II. Approval of Minutes - May 22, 2013

- Minutes approved.

III. Tree Education Session

- There were citizens present for the Tree Education Session.
- Mark Kroeze presented the following:
 - Power Point presentation titled "Will My Tree Survive Stage 3 Restrictions?".
 - Reviewed tree root system, watering restrictions, and water needed for trees to survive. Also, included a question and answer period.
 - Video on the last years Arbor Day event in McAllen Texas.
 - Prompted discussion on ideas for the Leon Valley Arbor Day to include improvements and possibly raising money for tree purchases. Topics are follows:
 - More Children involvement through different activities (e.g., such as our poster contest).
 - Walk, Run, and Bike marathon (Walk may be safer in our area).
 - NeighborWoods Program (Current program to assist residents, schools, businesses, etc. with tree plantings).

IV. Update on Tree Projects.

- LC-17
 - Project may begin next year.
 - City is waiting for an updated tree survey.
 - More trees in the project area have been lost due to the drought.
- Oak Wilt is still affecting the city.
- Arbor Day 2013 will be held on Saturday, November 9, 2013.

V. Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Government Code.

- Not required.

VI. Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.
- The next meeting of the TAB is set for Wednesday, August 21, 2013, at 6:00 PM in the Leon Valley City Hall.


Chairperson